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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

The Honorable Nancy Kassebaum
302 Russell Blvd.
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Kassebaum:

It has recently come to my attention that the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) is considering an action that will severely limit and potentially eliminate a very important hobby of mine, radio controlled (R/C) model airplanes, helicopters, cars and boats.

Your Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM) in PR Docket 92-235 replaces Part 90 of your rules with a new Part 88. Part 90 allows for safe use of R/C aircraft and surface models by keeping 10 Khz spacing between fixed commercial users and frequencies used by R/C enthusiasts. The new Part 88 will allow mobile users on frequencies within 2.5 Khz of frequencies available to us, eliminating safe use of at least 31 of the 50 channels on the 72 MHz band and 10 of the 30 frequencies on the 75 MHz band now used by hobbyists. In fact, more channels will likely be affected.

This action will have a severe, detrimental impact upon me and the entire R/C hobby industry. If put into effect, my airplane or helicopter could easily be shot out of the sky by a mobile user I'd have no way of knowing about. This creates a severe health hazard.

I have been involved in this hobby for several years. I own several radios and model airplanes, cars and boats. In addition, I have numerous engines, motors, chargers, field accessories and other products necessary to support my hobby. When you consider there are hundreds of thousands of other R/C hobbyists in the U.S. just like me, these proposed rule changes will affect a lot of people economically and in terms of enjoyment.

I urge you to reconsider this. Keep 10 Khz spacing between all frequencies on 75 MHz and 72 MHz bands available for safe use by R/C enthusiasts. Please don't eliminate this hobby that has grown tremendously over the past 30 years and has so much investment of money and enjoyment of people nationwide.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

C. McBee
510 N. Winfield
Topeka, KS 66616



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The Honorable Nancy Kassebaum
U.S. Senator
155 N. Market
Wichita, KS 67202

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Subject: FCC NPRM-PR Docket 92-235

Dear Senator Kassebaum:

I am a concerned citizen who derives many hours of rest, relaxation and enjoyment from constructing and flying Radio Controlled Model Sailplanes. I have had an interest in aviation since I was small boy. Our local club as well as the A.M.A. is very involved in the education and promotion of our hobby to young people in our community and across the country.

I am greatly concerned about proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model airplanes.

Our radio controlled frequencies are in the 72-76 MHz band. This band is primarily used for private land mobile dispatch operations. However, our radio controlled frequencies in this band are far enough apart from land mobile frequencies that we have been able to share the band without either use interfering with the other.

The FCC wants to create more land mobile frequencies by splitting them into narrower bandwidths and rearranging the band plan. As a result, many land mobile frequencies will move closer to radio controlled frequencies and cause interference to radio controlled operations. It is my understanding that of the current 50 frequencies in the 72 MHz band that are currently used by radio controlled enthusiast for control of model aircraft, 31 frequencies will be impacted leaving only 19 available if the new rules are adopted.

When we fly our model airplanes under radio control, we go to great lengths to assure the safety of the operators and bystanders and the protection of property. Many of our safety precautions involve careful coordination and use of the radio frequencies. If the number of usable frequencies is diminished as proposed by the FCC, the remaining frequencies will become congested and the margin of safety will be greatly decreased.

Please understand that many model airplanes have wing spans up to 10 feet and weigh as much as 20-40 pounds. The models themselves are expensive to build; but more to the point, they are capable of causing serious property damage, serious injury, or even death if

radio interference causes the operator to lose control of the craft. We often fly our models at organized events and contests where hundreds of operators participate. We need the use of our full complement of radio frequencies in order to assure a safe flying environment.

Modelers in general have invested a great amount of money and time in our radio equipment and our models (the average cost of a flying model with attendant equipment is over \$500+ with many costing above \$1,500). Multiply this by the number of modelers in the U.S. and by the average number of models (3 models per flyer estimated) and you can see that we have invested a large sum.

I do not think it is wise of the FCC to improve the operating conditions of land mobile radio users at the expense of radio controlled modelers.. The FCC may not think we are as important as business users of radios, but we have a considerable investment in our hobby/models and in our radio equipment. The hobby provides many hours of enjoyment to hundreds of thousands of people like myself and contributes to the advancement and development of the commercial aviation industry.

Please help all the modelers in our great state and the country to continue the safe enjoyment of our pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals (PR Docket 92-235) for the 72076 MHZ band. We believe the FCC can explore other avenues to resolve this problem without adversely affecting our enjoyment.

Sincerely,

Randy McCleave
Randy McCleave

Return Address: Randy McCleave
2470 S. Poplar
Wichita, KS 67216

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Sen. Nancy Kassebaum
302 Russell Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

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This action will have a severe, detrimental impact upon me and the entire R/C hobby industry. If put into effect I could easily lose radio control of my airplane or helicopter from radio interference by a mobile user. Our flying models are flown in public places and can weigh as much as 55 pounds and fly at speeds of an excess of 150 miles per hour (actual speed not scaled down). This 2.5 Khz spacing would create a severe health hazard.

I have been involved in this hobby for 12 years. I own 4 radios and 8 model airplanes, helicopters, cars and boats. In addition, I have numerous engines, motors, chargers, field accessories and other products necessary to support my hobby. When you consider there are hundreds of thousands of other R/C hobbyists in the U.S. just like me, these proposed rule changes will affect a lot of people economically and in terms of enjoyment.

I urge you to put a stop to the 2.5 Khz spacing and to keep the 10.0 MHz spacing between all frequencies on 75 MHz and 72 MHz bands available for safe use by R/C enthusiasts. Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72-76 MHz band.

Sincerely,

Jerry T. Meade

Jerry T. Meade
R/C Model Enthusiast

Jerry T. Meade

Rt 1 Box 64

Meriden, KS 66512

The Honorable Nancy Kassebaum
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
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Dear Senator Kassebaum:

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I am very concerned about proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model airplanes.

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Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72-76 MHz band.

Sincerely,

John W. Meanor Jr.

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JOHN W. MEANOR JR.
755 S. RUTH
WICHITA KS 67230

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The Honorable Nancy Kassebaum
Room 302 Russell Building
Washington, DC 20515

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
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Dear Senator Nancy Kassebaum:

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Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72-76 Mhz band.

Sincerely,

Carlyle A. Melin
11544 S. Lennox St.
OLATH, KS 66061

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
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NANCY KASSENBAUM

SUBJECT: VOTE NO

NPRM-^{PR}~~PR~~ DOCKET 93-235

I am returned and into R.C. air Craft building and flying. We just made a big \$1,000⁰⁰ change for the FCC in January of 1991, and I do not understand why they are asking us to change again. It would cut over half of our Radio's (all of mine)! You can not change the use of these units with such a close grouping of Land Mobil Radio, it would be very dangerous. As their units are much stronger than ours, they would shoot us down.

There is no way we will chance a thousand dollar air plane under these conditions.

BOB MILLER
10203 HOWE LANE

Dear Senator Aschbaum

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

I don't normally write to our politicians but a bill that the FCC is proposing has me really worried.

The FCC Docket 92-235 is trying to stack more channels between 72-76 MHz bands.

Myself & 3 of my children all race actively at local & state level competition. We have 5 transmitter radios in the 75 MHz Range. (Approx \$75 each) if this bill goes through, these radios will be useless! We couldn't even sell them to try to re-comp our losses.

The truly scary part is that our 1/10 scale cars weigh about 4lbs each & travel in excess of 50 MPH on a large track! All it would take is somebody keying a mic & you'd have

a 4lb. "Land Missile" that you couldn't hope to save, let alone regain control of. A serious enough situation to hospitalize someone if he couldn't get out of the way quick enough not considering the hundreds of dollars worth of equipment that would be destroyed in the crash. What if it were an 80 lb. airplane at 95 mph? Think about that!

I know this issue may seem small peanuts to you, but in my family it is a joy! R.C. hobbies are a multi-billion dollar industry based primarily in the small positive man format. This kind of a destructive bill would kill our hobby along with many small hobby shops.

So please consider all this and WTE DOWN 92-235. I feel

D.C. PROCKY
Box 174
Robinson, KS 66532

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Sincerely
Dan Morley

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
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Honorable Nancy Kassebaum
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Kassebaum:

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I do not think it is wise of the FCC to seek to improve the operating conditions of land mobile radio users at the expense of radio control modelers. Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72-76 MHz band.

Sincerely,

Al Newlin
Box 347
Marysville KS 66508

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Marysville KS.

Feb. 15, 1993

Dear Senator Kassebaum:

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I have been interested aviation and aircraft for as long as I can remember. I worked on the F-15, F-16 and A-10 in the USAF. I am vice-president of the local remote control airplane club whose member enjoy constructing and operating radio controlled model airplanes.

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reased. Please understand that many of model planes have wingspans of up to 10 ft and weigh as much as 50lbs. If the channel that is being used is interfered with there is no telling where the plane is going to go, or who it is going hit. We often fly these planes at organized events where hundreds of operators and spectators participate. We need our full complement of radio frequencies in order to assure a safe flying environment.

I do not think it is wise of the FCC to seek to improve the operating conditions of land mobile radio users at the expense of radio control modelers. The FCC may not think we are as important as business users of radios, but we have a considerable investment in our models and in our radio equipment. The hobby provides many hours of enjoyment to thousands like myself and contributes to the advancement and development of the commercial aviation industry.

Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72-76 MHz band.

Sincerely,
Alan Osborn
Rt 1 Box 81
Richfield Ks. 67953

The Honorable Nancy Kassebaum
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

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Dear Senator Kassebaum:

John Ostmeyer

7916 W. 113th Terr.

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I have been interested in
I am very active in both c
model airplanes.

Overland Park, Ks. 66210

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Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72-76 MHz band.

Sincerely,

John Ostmeyer

President 180. Radio Amateurs

8103 Monrovia Street
Lenexa, KS 66215
February 17, 1993

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The Honorable Nancy Kassebaum
Room 302 - Russell Building
Washington, DC 20515

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Re: NPRM PR Docket 92-235

Dear Senator Kassebaum:

I have been interested in aviation for as long as I can remember. I am very active in model airplane construction and operating through the use of radio frequency controlled airplanes.

I am very concerned about proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usable radio frequencies currently assigned to model airplane use. The reduced usable radio frequency spectrum will increase the risk of accidents along with attendee liability for radio controlled model airplanes.

The radio control frequencies are in the 72-76 MHz. band. This band is primarily used for private land mobile dispatch operations. However, the radio control frequencies in this band are far enough away from the land mobile frequencies that radio control modelers have been able to share the band without either interfering with the other.

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Where model airplanes are flown under radio control, great lengths are taken to assure the safety of the operators, bystanders and the protect of property. Many of the safety precautions involve the careful coordination and use of the radio control frequencies. If the number of usable frequencies is diminished, as proposed by the FCC, the remaining frequencies will become congested and the margin of safety will be greatly decreased.

It is very important for all to understand that model airplanes have wing spans up to 10 feet and weigh as much as 30 to 40 pounds. The models themselves are expensive to build; but more importantly, there capable of causing property damage, serious injury, or even death if radio interference causes the operator to lose control of the craft. Models often fly at organized events and contests where hundreds of operators participate. Modelers need the use of the full complement of radio frequencies to assure a safe flying environment.

It is not in the public interest of the FCC to seek to improve the operating conditions for one type of radio user, land mobile, at the expense of radio control modelers. The FCC may think model airplane users are not as important as business users, but we have a considerable investment in our models and in our radio equipment. The hobby provides many hours of enjoyment to thousands of people like myself and contributes to the advancement and development of the commercial aviation industry.

Please help continue the safe enjoyment of this pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72-76 MHz. band.

Sincerely,


Stephen Pettey

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
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The Honorable Nancy Kassebaum
Room 302 Russell Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Senator Nancy Kassebaum:

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Please understand that many model airplanes have wing spans up to 10 feet and weight as much as 30 or 40 pounds. The models themselves are expensive to build; but more to the point, they are capable of causing property damage, serious injury, or even death if radio interference caused the operator to lose control of the aircraft. This is a serious problem at air shows and contests where hundreds of operators participate. We need the use of our full complement of radio frequencies in order to assure a safe flying environment.

I do not think it wise of the FCC to seek to improve the operating conditions of land mobile radio users at the expense of radio control modelers. The FCC may not think we are as important as business users of radios, but we have a considerable investment in our models and in our radio equipment. The hobby provides many hours of enjoyment to thousands of people like myself and contributes to the advancement and development of the commercial aviation industry.

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NORMAN I. PFEIFER, D.D.S., P.A.
Pepper Pointe Medical Building
12301 West 106th Street
Suite 103
Overland Park, Kansas 66215

Sincerely,

Norman Pfeifer

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

1609 Loomis Street
Winfield, KS 67156

February 2, 1993

The Honorable Nancy Landon Kassebaum
United States Senator
302 Russell
Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Kassebaum:

As an active radio controlled model airplane hobbyist, I spend many hours building and flying radio controlled aircraft. In addition, I have invested a considerable amount of money purchasing equipment associated with this activity. I am very concerned about the proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission. The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model airplanes.

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When flying model airplanes under radio control, I go to great lengths to assure the safety of other operators and bystanders and the protection of property. Many of our safety precautions involve the careful coordination and use of the radio control frequencies. If the number of usable frequencies is diminished as proposed by the Federal Communications Commission, the remaining frequencies will become congested and the margin of safety will be greatly decreased.

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Please help me continue the safe flying radio controlled aircraft by not allowing the Federal Communications Commission to carry out its proposals for the 72-76 MHz band.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rick Pomeroy".

Rick Pomeroy

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Feb. 13, 1993

The Honorable Nancy L. Kassebaum
U.S. Senate
Wash. D.C. 20510

Dear Senator:

I'm writing to you in regards to a proposed rule change by the Federal Communications Commission, namely, PR Docket 92-235.

I'm retired and derive many hours of pleasure from building and operating radio controlled model airplanes. I own 4 radios worth approximately \$900 that would be rendered unusable if the frequency assignment is adopted by the FCC.

We fly from a field leased from the Corps of Engineers at Milford Lake where we are next to camping areas. If this rule change is adopted, a mobile user could shoot my plane out of the sky and could cause damage to property and human lives.

I urge you to please keep this rule change from being adopted by the FCC.

Thank you for your help.

Sincerely,



William Schuster
PO Box 453
Junction City, Ks. 66441

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Dear Senator Nancy Kassebaum, FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY 5-93

I am retired and receive many hours of enjoyment from constructing and operating radio controlled model airplanes. I belong to a local club whose members also enjoy constructing and operating radio controlled model airplanes.

I am very concerned about proposed rules that are under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). I am referring to the PR Docket 92-235 which, if adopted, will not only greatly reduce the use of frequencies currently assigned for model use, but will increase the risk of accidents.

Our radio control frequencies are in the 72-76 MHz band which is chiefly used for private land mobile dispatch operations. I understand that if these new rules are adopted only 19 frequencies will be left. Considering that there are presently 50 frequencies available, it's obvious that such a drastic reduction would decrease safety measures and increase risk for accidents.

When we fly our model airplanes we go to great lengths to assure the safety of operators, and bystanders, and the protection of property. This requires careful coordination and use of the radio control frequencies. It's very disturbing to know that if these frequencies are decreased, the margin of safety will decrease as well, due to congested frequencies. Radio interference could cause an operator to lose control of his craft which could cause property

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damage, serious injury, or even death.

The FCC may not think we are as important as business users of radios, but the models are expensive to build and we have a considerable investment in our models and in our radio equipment. I personally own several pieces of radio equipment that would be unusable if this frequency assignment is adopted. The hobby provides many hours of enjoyment for myself, my friends, and thousands of people like us.

Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out it's proposals for the 72-76 MHz band.

Sincerely,

Donald W. Scott
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Liberal, KS. 67901

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

1900 W. 61st Terrace
Shawnee Mission, KS
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January 9, 1993

The Honorable Nancy Kassebaum
Room 302 Russell Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Senator Kassebaum:

I am a university professor of engineering and, for many years, have enjoyed participating in the hobby of constructing and operating radio controlled model airplanes. There are no other hobbies I have found that develop greater technical skill or are more challenging than this one. I have several thousand dollars invested in equipment and literally years of construction time.

I am very concerned about proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communication Commission (FCC). The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model airplanes.

Our radio control frequencies are in the 72-76 MHz band. This band is primarily used for private land mobile dispatch operations. However, our radio control frequencies in this band are far enough apart from the land mobile frequencies that we have been able to share the band without either use interfering with the other.

Now the FCC wants to create more land mobile frequencies by splitting them into narrower bandwidths and rearranging the band plan. As a result, many land mobile frequencies will move closer to the radio control frequencies and cause interference to radio control operations. I am told that of the 50 frequencies that are presently available for radio control of model airplanes, only 19 frequencies will be left if these new rules are adopted.

When we fly our model airplanes under radio control, we go to great lengths to assure the safety of the operators and bystanders and the protection of property. Many of our safety precautions involve the careful coordination and use of the radio control frequencies. If the number of useable frequencies is diminished as proposed by the FCC, the remaining frequencies will become congested and the margin of safety will be greatly decreased.

Please understand that many model airplanes have wing spans up to 10 feet and weigh as much as 30 or 40 pounds. The models themselves are expensive to build; but more to the point, they are capable of causing property damage, serious injury, or even death if radio interference causes the operator to lose control of the craft. We often fly our models at organized events and contests where hundreds of operators participate. We need the use of our full complement of radio frequencies in order to assure a safe flying environment.

I do not think it is wise of the FCC to seek to improve the operating conditions of land mobile radio users at the expense of radio control modelers. The FCC may not think we are as important as business users of radios, but we have a considerable investment in our models and in our radio equipment. The hobby provides many hours of enjoyment to thousands of people like myself and contributes to the advancement and development of the commercial aviation industry.

Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72-76 MHz band.

Sincerely,


Donald R. Smith

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Kensington, Kansas
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The Honorable Nancy Kassebaum
302 Russell Senate O.B.
Washington, D.C. 20510

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION e D. Smith
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY 210 N. Lincoln Box 356
Kensington, Kansas 66951

Dear Senator Kassebaum:

I have had a lifetime interest in aviation and have been involved with radio controlled aircraft building and flying for 3 years. I own 5 radios and 5 model airplanes. In addition I have numerous engines, chargers, field accessories and a workshop full of other products to support and operate my hobby. As I am near retirement this was going to be a real pastime for me.

I am concerned about the proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model airplanes.

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Sincerely,

Shane D. Smith

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The Honorable Nancy Kassebaum
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20515

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Dear Ms. Kassebaum;

I am interested and involved in model aviation, involved in radio control of model aircraft. I spend many hours building and flying radio controlled model airplanes. I have a considerable amount of money invested in equipment to sustain the hobby. I am very active in a local club that promotes the radio control model airplane hobby.

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Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72-76 MHz band.

Sincerely.

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